

Version With Markings To Show Changes Made

28. A connector assembly comprising:

a first contact and a second contact configured to mate with the first contact;

the first contact configured for slidingly engaging the second contact to continuously define an electric [signal] connection between the first contact and the second contact and comprising conductive material and a resistive material exposed for direct, initial engagement with the second contact to produce an initial high resistance connection along a shortest path between the second contact and the conductive material.

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